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In the matter of:) Docket No. 11-RPS-01
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) NOTICE OF PROPOSED ADOPTION
Implementation of Renewables) RE: RPS 2008-2010 Procurement
Portfolio Standard Legislation) Verification Lead Commissioner
) Report

**Notice to Consider Adoption of the
Renewables Portfolio Standard
2008-2010 Procurement Verification
Draft Lead Commissioner Report
CEC-300-2013-010-LCD**

As part of the November 14, 2013, Business Meeting, the Energy Commission will consider adopting the *Renewables Portfolio Standard 2008-2010 Procurement Verification Draft Lead Commissioner Report (2008-2010 Verification Report)*.

November 14, 2013
10 a.m.
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Background

Renewables Portfolio Standard Verification Report

The *2008-2010 Verification Report* details the Energy Commission's Renewables Portfolio Standard (RPS) procurement verification findings for select retail sellers of electricity under California's RPS for the years 2008, 2009, and 2010.

While not legally mandated, the Energy Commission prepares Verification Reports as part of the agency's RPS responsibilities. Upon finalization of the *2008-2010 Verification*

Report, the Energy Commission will transmit its RPS procurement verification findings to the California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC). This report:

- Verifies the RPS eligibility of the electric generating facilities from which each reporting retail seller is claiming procurement.
- Verifies, to the extent possible, that the amount of renewable electricity procurement claimed by each retail seller was sufficiently generated by each eligible facility.
- Determines the amount of renewable electricity that may be attributed to multifuel facilities, including facilities using biomethane, by comparing the renewable and fossil fuel usage amounts with the amount of allowable fossil fuel usage per eligible facility.
- Verifies, to the extent possible, that out-of-state renewable energy facilities satisfy the Energy Commission's delivery requirements.
- Verifies, to the extent possible, that procurement exclusively serves California's RPS and is not double counted for another renewable energy regulatory or voluntary-market program.
- Identifies eligible, ineligible, pending, and withdrawn procurement claims for each retail seller and provides the total amount of eligible procurement.
- Provides eligible procurement claims by resource type, claims attributed to new and repowered facilities, the transition of retail sellers' reporting using the Interim Tracking System (ITS) to the Western Renewable Energy Generation Information System (WREGIS), and the time between the dates of generation and retirement of claims.
- Discusses the limitations of the Energy Commission's Interim Tracking System established before the development of the WREGIS, which is now used to track renewable energy procurement in 14 western states, two Canadian provinces, and northern Baja California.

To date, the Energy Commission has published *Verification Reports* for compliance years 2004, 2005, 2006, and 2007. The scope of the *2008-2010 Verification Report* includes procurement data and findings for the following 16 entities: Pacific Gas and Electric Company (PG&E); San Diego Gas & Electric Company (SDG&E); Southern California Edison Company (SCE); 3Phases Energy Services; APS Energy Services; Calpine Power America-CA; Commerce Energy, Inc.; Constellation NewEnergy, Inc. (CNE); Coral Power, LLC; Praxair Plainfield Inc.; Pilot Power Group, Inc; Marin Energy Authority; Shell Energy North America. L. P.; Direct Energy (FKA Strategic Energy, LLC); Pacific Power / PacifiCorp, and Sierra Pacific Power Company.

Energy Commission staff held a workshop in 2012, to present its initial verification results and solicit public comments. In addition, staff discussed three specific issues in detail, which are also addressed in this *Verification Report*. The issues include: 1) verification of the procurement date relative to the vintage date of the renewable energy credits (RECs); 2) verification of biomethane-related claims; and 3) verification of

energy delivery for out-of-state facilities. Staff considered the public comments and incorporated them as appropriate into the *2008-2010 Verification Draft Staff Report*.

On September 20, 2013, the *2008-2010 Verification Draft Staff Report* was posted for public comment. In response, CNE, PG&E, and SCE submitted comments regarding their 2008-2010 RPS procurement claims. SCE also submitted documentation in support of a claim initially characterized as exceeding the CPUC's REC retirement requirement. As appropriate, staff incorporated the stakeholder comments, and updated findings on the REC retirement requirement analysis. These changes are reflected in this *2008-2010 Verification Report*.

Public Comment

Oral comments. The Energy Commission will accept oral comments during the meeting. Comments may be limited to three minutes per speaker. Any comments will become part of the public record in this proceeding.

Written comments. Interested members of the public are encouraged to review and comment on the *2008-2010 RPS Verification Report*. Please include your name or organization's name in the name of the file and also include the docket number 11-RPS-01. Please also indicate '2008-2010 RPS Verification Draft Lead Commissioner Report' in the subject line or first paragraph of your comments. Parties are encouraged to file comments by November 12, 2013.

Additionally, written comments may be posted to the Energy Commission's website for the proceeding. Please note that your written and oral comments, attachments, and associated contact information (e.g. your address, phone, email, etc.) become part of the viewable public record. This information may become available via Google, Yahoo, and any other search engines.

The Energy Commission encourages comments by e-mail. Please include your name and any organization name. Comments should be in a downloadable, searchable format such as Microsoft® Word (.doc) or Adobe® Acrobat® (.pdf). Please include the docket number 11-RPS-01 and indicate 2008-2010 RPS Verification Lead Commissioner Report in the subject line. Send comments to:

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Availability of Documents

The *2008-2010 Verification Draft Lead Commissioner Report* (Publication # CEC-300-2013-010-LCD) is available at this link:

www.energy.ca.gov/portfolio/documents/index.html

An electronic version of the *2008-2010 Verification Draft Staff Report* edited version is available upon request.

Information for this meeting will be available online at:
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